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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

DATE: September 30, 2010

TO: Interested Parties

REGARDING: 2010 Freeland Subarea Plan (2nd Draft)

FROM: 
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The Island County Planning and Community Development Department has just completed the second draft of the 2010 Freeland Subarea Plan (FSP). This draft is now available for public review.

Based on feedback from the public and issues raised by the department, changes to the first draft of the 2010 FSP include:

- A return to the land use designation names and colors used in the 2007 Land Use element with the exception of High Density Residential, Mixed Use, and Business Office designations and addition of a Business Node designation
- Changes to the geographical boundaries of some land-use designations
- Changes to the allowed number of dwelling units per zone and subsequent population accommodation
- Updates in information to the Transportation element
- Updates to Map 3.2 Potential Open Spaces

The Planning and Community Development Department strongly encourages the public to carefully review the entire 2nd draft of the 2010 FSP prior to the October 5th meeting that will be held at Trinity Lutheran in Freeland from 1-3p.m.

The October 5th meeting will include discussion around:

- General concerns raised by the public at the first meeting (held September 14th)
- Issues raised by the County regarding the 2007 Land Use element
- The 2nd draft of the 2010 FSP

This effort is just one step in the process which culminates with the vision for Freeland being fulfilled. Over the next few months, the revised 2010 Freeland Subarea Plan will proceed through the public adoption process. This includes a series of three workshops on September 14th, October 5th, and October 26th. During these workshops the County will gather public input and make refinements to the FSP prior to presenting it to the Island County Planning Commission in late November. As mandated by State and County regulations, the Planning Commission will hold hearings where public comment will be accepted. The Planning Commission will then make a recommendation to the Board of Island County Commissioners.